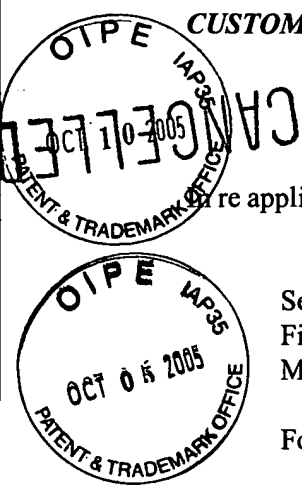


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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This Response is filed in response to the office action of 07/21/05.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-11 are pending in the application. The Applicant hereby requests further examination and reconsideration of the application in view of these remarks.

In paragraph 2 of the office action, the Examiner rejected claims 9-11 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Cisneros. In paragraph 3, the Examiner stated that claims 1-8 are allowable. For the following reasons, the Applicant submits that all of the pending claims are allowable.

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